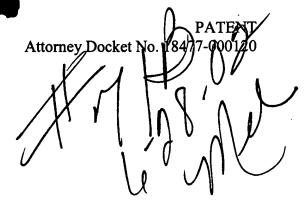


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 28, 59, 77 and 79 as follows:

28. The method of claim 1 wherein said consumer account maintaining step

maintaining a database of only said key, at least one financial institution account

number, and purchasing history for each consumer.

59. A method for distributing and redeeming electronic promotions to a

planality of consumers through a communications network, comprising: